WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTION

Aid to flying/gliding clubs

†4149. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of flying/gliding clubs in National Capital Delhi and other States on date;

(b) the time when they were established and the number of aircrafts with them till date;

(c) the amount of aid made available to them during last three years, year-wise, club-wise; and

(d) the details of the achievemnts of these flying/gliding clubs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be paid on the Table of the House.

Pre-flight checking of aircrafts

4150. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that these days the civil aircrafts are not being checked properly in all respects before taking off;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that such aircrafts have to land forcibly when some defects are noticed by the pilots; and

(c) if so, the officials responsible for such fatal negligence and the action expected to be taken for the proper and timely checking up of the aircraft before taking off?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Madurai Airport

4151. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to extend the runway in Madurai airport upto 12,000 feet;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) There is a proposal for extension of runway at Madurai airport from 7500 feet to 12500 feet in phases subject to traffic demand for operation of

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.